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Mr. Leland Stowe

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Dear Mr. Stowe:

We have shown your letter of November 25, addressed to Mr. Allen Dulles, together with the enclosure, to representatives of the Information and Education Service of the Department of State (USIE). This is the agency of the Government which is actively interested in, and has funds for, the translation, publication, and distribution in foreign countries of books supporting Western ideals and opposing Communism.

We have been pleased to learn that copies of your book, "Conquest by Terror," have been sent to the Public Affairs Officers of all posts of the Department throughout the world. We are further informed by USIE that your book "is on the list of recommended books for the presentation program, which means that copies may be ordered for individual or bulk presentation to individuals, organizations, et.al. This refers, of course, to the English language version. The Department has obtained the publisher's permission for volume and serial translation rights. USIE is sending out the syndicated version which appeared in the Washington Post. Translation depends on local initiative. The USIE shop in India can, if it desires, use its funds for an Indian edition of either the full book or the serialized version."

The USIE offices in India and other countries are well aware of the need for low-priced editions of suitable books for local distribution. We feel sure they will be responsive to the suitability of "Conquest by Terror" to their program, and to reactions by native readers such as those expressed by your Indian correspondent, Mr. K. F. Nariman.

Sincerely,

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Assistant to Mr. Dulles

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MEMORANDUM FOR: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR

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ATTENTION:

SUBJECT: Reply to letter from Leland Stowe, addressed to DD/CI

1. The question of overt publication and distribution of Mr. Stowe's book "Conquest by Terror" in India or other foreign countries is directly in line with the activities of USIE, State.
2. We have shown Mr. MacKnight, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, Mr. Stowe's letter and enclosure, and have received from him a memorandum indicating that USIE has already added "Conquest by Terror" to its list of recommended books.
3. The substance of Mr. MacKnight's memorandum is included in the suggested draft of a letter to Mr. Stowe, attached herewith for your signature.

FRANK G. WISNER
Deputy Director (Plans)

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Attachment
As stated above

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